IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for providing magnetic wear debris 1 collection for an air bearing of a spindle motor in a hard disk drive, comprising: 2 providing the [[a]] spindle motor comprising a hub; 3 providing the [[an]] air bearing for a journal bearing, the journal bearing radially 4 supporting the hub; and 5 6 positioning a magnetic ring in a base at an opening of the air bearing to a disk area, wherein the magnetic ring is positioned such that the magnetic ring accumulates 7 debris before debris can escape into the disk area in a position proximate to the air 8 bearing; and 9 as the motor is activated to spin the spindle and disk, accumulating debris at the 10 11 magnetic ring. 1 2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 further comprising providing a mating surface to the journal bearing, the mating surface comprising a paramagnetic material. 3 3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 further comprising 1 providing a mating surface to the journal bearing, the mating surface comprising a ferromagnetic material. 3

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- 1 4. (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising providing a thrust
- 2 bearing to axially support the hub.
- 1 5. (Original) The method of claim 4 wherein the thrust bearing comprises
- 2 an oil bearing.
- 6. (Original) The method of claim 4 wherein the thrust bearing comprises
- 2 an air bearing.